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SUBJECT: BALAGUER MEETS WITH PRD LEADER

1. PRESIDENT BALAGUER MET WITH PARTIDO REVOLUCIONARIO DOMINICANO PRESIDENT SALVADOR JORGE BLANCO FOR MORE THAN HOUR AND HALF TUESDAY, MARCH 7. MEETING DESCRIBED BY POLITICAL OBSERVERS HERE AT EVENT UNPRECEDENTED IN BALAGUER'S THREE TERMS IN OFFICE.

2. JORGE ISSUED STATEMENT LISTING TOPICS DISCUSSED IN 90-MINUTE MEETING. THESE INCLUDED NEED FOR PRESENT CAMPAIGN TO PROCEED WITH CIVILITY, RESPECT AND UNDERSTANDING BY ALL CONCERNED AND MUTUAL RESPECT FOR "INSTITUTIONALIZATION" OF ARMED FORCES. JORGE ALSO SAID THEY DISCUSSED VARIOUS CIVIL/JUDICIAL MEASURES PROPOSED BY PRD; INCORPORATION OF NEW HUMAN RIGHTS VALUES INTO PUBLIC LIFE AND NATIONAL POLITICS; AND PRISON REFORM, AND ALLEVIATION OF PLIGHT OF DOMINICAN EXILES. THROUGHOUT DISCUSSION, JORGE SAID BALAGUER DEMONSTRATED FIRM WILL TO MAINTAIN INSTITUTIONALIZATION OF CONSTITUTIONAL POLITICAL SYSTEM OF COUNTRY. HE ALSO SAID BALAGUER AGREED TO MAINTAIN CONTACT THUS ESTABLISHED.

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3. COMMENT: NEWS OF MEETING GREETED INITIALLY AS PROMISING DEVELOPMENT THAT SHOULD HELP MAINTAIN PRESENT ORDERLINESS OF ELECTORAL CAMPAIGN. CURIOUS AND UN-EXPLAINED CIRCUMSTANCES OF HOW MEETING CAME ABOUT, HOWEVER, FUELING MUCH SPECULATION THAT MORE INVOLVED THAN CORDIAL EXCHANGE OF NON-AGRESSION PLEDGES AND AGREEMENT ON VARIOUS REFORMS. SINCE THERE MAY BE MORE HERE THAN MEETS EYE (OR

LESS) WE WILL REPORT AS DEVELOPMENTS WARRANT.

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